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Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Charlotte,

Raleigh/Durham and Winston-Salem Carbon Monoxide

Limited Maintenance Plan

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: EPA is proposing to approve a limited maintenance plan update submitted by the State of North Carolina, through the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources, on August 2, 2012. The limited maintenance plan update is for the Charlotte, Raleigh/Durham and Winston-Salem carbon monoxide (CO) maintenance areas. Specifically, the State submitted a limited maintenance plan update for CO, showing continued attainment of the 8-hour CO National Ambient Air Quality Standard for the Charlotte, Raleigh/Durham and Winston-Salem Areas. The 8-hour CO NAAQS is 9 parts per million. EPA is proposing to approve the limited maintenance plan update because the State has demonstrated that it is consistent with the Clean Air Act and EPA's policy for limited maintenance plans.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before [insert date 30 days after date of publication in the Federal Register].

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-R04-OAR-2012-0961, by one of the following methods:

- 1. <u>www.regulations.gov</u>: Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.
- 2. E-mail: <u>R4-RDS@epa.gov</u>.
- 3. Fax: (404) 562-9019.
- Mail: EPA-R04-OAR-2012-0961, Regulatory Development Section, Air Planning Branch, Air, Pesticides and Toxics Management Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4, 61 Forsyth Street, SW, Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8960.
- Hand Delivery or Courier: Lynorae Benjamin, Chief, Regulatory Development Section, Air Planning Branch, Air, Pesticides and Toxics Management Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4, 61 Forsyth Street, SW, Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8960. Such deliveries are only accepted during the Regional Office's normal hours of operation. The Regional Office's official hours of business are Monday through Friday, 8:30 to 4:30, excluding federal holidays.

Please see the direct final rule which is located in the Rules section of this <u>Federal Register</u> for detailed instructions on how to submit comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Richard Wong, Regulatory Development Section, Air Planning Branch, Air, Pesticides and Toxics Management Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4, 61 Forsyth Street, SW, Atlanta, Georgia 30303-

8960. The telephone number is (404) 562-8726. Mr. Wong can also be reached via electronic

mail at wong.richard@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: For additional information see the direct final rule

which is published in the Rules Section of this Federal Register. A detailed rationale for the

approval is set forth in the direct final rule. If no adverse comments are received in response to

this rule, no further activity is contemplated. If EPA receives adverse comments, the direct final

rule will be withdrawn and all public comments received will be addressed in a subsequent final

rule based on this proposed rule. EPA will not institute a second comment period on this

document. Any parties interested in commenting on this document should do so at this time.

Dated: February 11, 2013

A. Stanley Meiburg Acting Regional Administrator,

Region 4.

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